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THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION:

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1897.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,

LIMITED.

Authorised Capital \$1,000,000

Paid up Capital 324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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Hongkong, 30th November, 1897.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

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CAPITAL PAID-UP \$800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-

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T. H. WHITEHEAD,

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Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897.

Entertainment.

CITY HALL.

ST. GEORGE'S HALL.

PROFESSOR MERCK

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Under the Patronage and in the Presence

of H.E. the GOVERNOR, Sir Wm.

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FRIDAY, the 1st January, 1898,

at 9 o'clock punctually.

PROGRAMME.

PART I.

1. Concert for Violin &c. Servals

Professor Merck.

2. Concert-Prelude for Piano, Rubinstein

Mr. Emil Dannenberg.

3. Song for Cossacko ... Servals

Mrs. Hand.

4. (a) Hymn to St. Cecilia ... Gounod

(b) Neapolitan Song ... Cecilia

PART II.

1. Tele—Audacie et Finesse ... Baiget

M. Giraud, Violin & Prof. Merck, Violoncello.

2. (a) Solemnity ... Popper

(b) Merry making ... Professor Merck.

3. Scherzo for Piano ... Chopin

Mr. Emil Dannenberg.

4. (a) Romance ... Servals

(b) At the Fountain ... Davidoff

(c) Vito—Spanish Dance

(by special request) ... Popper

Professor Merck.

ADMISION..... \$3

Plan as Messrs. W. ROBINSON & Co's Music

Warehouse, 2nd January, 1898.

KUHN & KOMOR,

JAPANESE FINE ART CURIOS,

21 & 22, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG,

35 WATER STREET, YOKOHAMA

and

36 DIVISION STREET, KOBE,

Hongkong, 1st March, 1898.

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(cont.)

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	ARRIVALS
LONDON	Malacca	H. E. Kilcat, R.N.R.	About 7th Jan.	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c.	Shanghai	E. P. Bishop	About 8th Jan.	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c.	RoMilo	S. de B. Lockyer, R.N.R.	About 9th Jan.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON &c.	7 Agnes	E. R. Dowell, R.N.R.	11th Jan.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON	Java	J. Chellow, R.N.R.	About 21st Jan.	Freight or Passage.

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Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898.



MADIRA Red Seal ... 218
do. Very Choice Blue ... 24
MARSALA Green ... 9
do. Choice Old Yellow ... 12
ALAGA Blue ... 10
MUSCATEL Yellow ... 12

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Hong Kong—Y.U.N.W.O.

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WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

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Hongkong, 13th December, 1897.

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AMERICAN BUTTER

AT

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY.

\$1.60 PER ROLL,

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1897.

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TRY THE
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IMMENSE STOCK OF
FLOOR OILCLOTHS
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LINOLEUMS.
400 SQUARE YARDS TO A PATTERN.

Yokohama, 1st October, 1897.

Intimations.

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SOLE AGENTS IN

HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,

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ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.

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PEAK HOTEL.

1350 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL adjoining the Tramway Terminus. FINE HEALTHY LOCATION, Commanding Magnificent View of the City and Harbour, the Malabon Island of Chios, and numerous Islands. Cool sheltered breezes in Summer, with perfect protection against the North-East winds in winter.

A covered Way has been constructed from the Station to the Hotel.

THE HOTEL IS NOW UNDER EUROPEAN MANAGEMENT.

GEO. J. CASANOVA, Manager.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1898.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

M. R. O. STRUCKMEYER has this day been authorized to sign our Bills of Lading here and in China.
SIEMSEN & CO.,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1898. [61]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW AND SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"KANSU."

Captain Sommerwill will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 6th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [47]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"NESTOR."

Captain Aquilin will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 6th instant, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [62]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CHEFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"HUNAN."

Captain Fyssier will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 6th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [48]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUZU CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"MYRIMON."

Captain Rorison will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 7th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [186]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"GHAZEE."

Captain Ballay will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 12th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [63]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"ARGYLL."

Captain Ward will be despatched for the above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 12th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [64]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON AND LIVERPOOL VIA STRAITS AND COLOMBO.

(Taking Caro at through rates for GLASGOW, CONTINENTAL PORTS, RIVER PLATE, &c.)

THE Company's Steamship

"KAISOW."

Captain E. Warrall will be despatched as above on the 17th instant.

To be followed by the Steamship

"CHINGWO"

For Freight, &c., apply to

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [193]

OXFORDIAN AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "GAELIC."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [192]

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & COMPANY, VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufacture.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MISSES and other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1897.

Notice of Firms.

NOTICE.

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Apply to

"X,"
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office,
Hongkong, 4th January, 1898. [57]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

DURING my temporary absence from the Colony, Mr. Y. SHIGAKI will take charge of this Office.

By Order,

A. S. MIHARA,
Manager,
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898. [59]

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY in our Firm of Mr. St. C. MICHAELSON, who wishes to retire from China, ceased on the 1st December, 1897.

MELCHERS & CO.,
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898. [51]

Intimation.



A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES & SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET—Our Claret, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

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We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorized Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [7]

BIRTHS.

At Tientsin, on the 9th December, 1897, the wife of CHARLES KILMER, I.M. Customs, of a son.

On the 13th December, at Yokohama, the wife of R. RUMOG, of a son.

At Lao-ting, Shantung, on Thursday, 16th December, 1897, the wife of F. W. MARSHALL of a son.

At Shanghai, on the 17th December, the wife of J. E. FITZJOSEPH, of a son.

At Yokohama, on the 17th December, the wife of Wm. T. PAYNE, of a son.

On Monday, the 20th December, at No. 1, Broadgate, Hongkong, Shanghai, the wife of R. J. SOLOMON, of a daughter.

At No. 1, Sun Soni Terrace, Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai, on the 26th December, the wife of R. E. TONG, of a daughter.

At 5, Hongkong Road, Shanghai, on the 26th December, the wife of CHARLES DOWDALL, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

At the Presbyterian Church, Singapore, on the 22nd December, by the Rev. S. Stephen Walker, M.A., F.R.C.S., MACMURRAY, Engineer, Blantyre Oil Mills, to JANET GLEW, elder daughter of the late Daniel Hamilton Duncan, Cessnock, Glasgow.

On Christmas Day, 1897, at the Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges M.A., KENNETH FRANCIS GEDYE, M.A., of Wuchow, S. SADIE, eldest daughter of the Rev. John S. Simon, Bristol, England.

On the 25th December, at the Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges M.A., the Rev. GEORGE L. FULLER, of Hankow, to EMILIE, only daughter of C. M. WHITE, Harrogate, England.

DEATHS.

At Chipping, Shantung, on the 3rd December, NORA DOROTHY, daughter of the Rev. Frank and Mrs. HARMON, English Baptist Mission.

At Tokio, on Thursday, December 9th, MARGUERITE THOMAS, beloved wife of Edward Divers, M.D., F.R.C.S.

At Tokio, on the 12th December, JOSEPH HICKS, aged 61 years, after a long and painful illness.

On the 16th December, at Yokohama, of typhoid fever, HENRY SWINBURNE ADAMS, in his 30th year.

At the Shanghai General Hospital, on the 16th of December, 1897, of cerebro-spinal meningitis, B. B. C. POWELL, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A., in the 20th year of his age. The remains were cremated on the 19th of December, 1897.

On the 22nd December, at the Osaka Hospital, the wife of Captain P. C. FULLER.

At Newhaven, on the 29th of December, 1897, JAMES FIELD CALVERT, of Glasgow, aged 44 years (Acting Agent of The American Banking Co., Newhaven).

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1898.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

RE-INFORCEMENTS FOR EGYPT.

LONDON, January 3rd.

The first battalion of the Yorkshire Regiment proceeds to Gibraltar, to replace the Northumberland Regiment, which goes to Egypt. The second battalion of the Lancashire Regiment and the first battalion of the Royal Irish Fusiliers will be landed in Egypt on their way home from India.

THE SITUATION IN EGYPT.

Reuter's Agency is informed that the movement of British troops to the front is defensive, rather than offensive against the Dervishes.

JAPANESE TELEGRAMS.

[KOREA CHRONICLE] TRANS.]

TOKIO, December 12th.

A report from Mr. Saito, the Japanese Consul at Tacoma, dated the 25th October, states that 200 cases of green tea shipped to Yokohama by the N.Y

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1898.

The Post Office now delivers Shanghai mail matter to us with Canton postmark. Presumably it has come overland. We must be thankful for what we get; however we manage to get it.

THE NAGASAKI PRESS says that the German steamers *Swarow*, *Oscura*, and *Zeval* have been chartered by the German authorities for one year to convey coal and stores to Kiaochou Bay.

The police patrol of steamships in Japanese ports, recently instituted, will not be a very good thing if there are many policemen like Mr. Kinoura-Iwao. According to the *Yusho Nippon*, this gentleman, having to visit the *Ansei-maru* officially, took advantage of the opportunity to appropriate a gold watch and chain worth 400 yen, and a tobacco-purse, the property of Mr. Obata, the Chairman of the Kwantung Steamship Union, who was a passenger by the *Ansei*. After securing this loot, the policeman was so foolish as to show the watch to his friends, telling them it had been given him by his uncle, recently returned from America. Inquiries made led to his arrest, and he is said to have confessed, though he denies appropriating a further sum of 20 yen which Mr. Obata lost at the same time.

MURKIN'S WHEATLOCK & CO.'S COAL AND KEROSINE OH MARKET REPORT, dated Shanghai, 31st December, 1897, says:- Coal-Japan.- At present our market, extremely strong, as stocks of all kinds have been completely swept off, and there is absolutely not a single ton of anything like steam coal obtainable. There are a few cargoes in Japan awaiting shipment from there, but a further obstacle in the shape of scarcity of tonnage prevents any business being done. Under this heading we regret having to make known the sudden suspension of payment of one of our largest dealers, which naturally also affects the coal business, but we are given to believe that the creditors intend tiding him over, at any rate until after Chinese New Year, when it is to be hoped that further arrangements will be made to keep him in the trade. Our quotations given below are purely nominal, but had we been able to procure cargoes, we think higher prices would be paid. Cardiff-Owing to rumours of anticipated trouble a fair demand took place last week and some quantity has been sold at Tls. 12.00 per ton. Sydney, Wollongong.-After worrying our friends in the Colonies we have at last been able to procure a small cargo at Tls. 12.00 per ton, and though we have heard that a taller has been taken up at 27.0, we think that the above sale is the only business done. There is a further demand and another cargo could be placed at the former figure. Quotations:- The undated figures are based on the most recent settlements for cargoes to arrive and do not represent the present market rates for coals in stock which fluctuate with the supply and demand:- Cardiff, ex godown, Tls 12.00 per ton. American Antarctic, ex godown Tls 12.00 per ton nominal. Sydney Wollongong, steamer cargo ex godown Tls 13.00 per ton nominal. Japan Tls 7.00 @ 7.75 per ton. Kerosene Oil-America.-There has not been a very large business done since last writing, but sales that have transpired have been to actual consumers, and speculators have been conspicuous by their absence. The market has weakened slightly, and prices have declined to Tls 1.65 per cwt, but this is purely owing to the fact that sales have been steady and not speculative. Arrivals have been the steamer *Queen Christina* and *v. Clarence S. Ement* yesterday, bringing 134,000 cases and 78,000 cases respectively. Stocks, including above arrivals, 387,279 cases. Batum-This brand has, like *Dove's*, been dealt with in small quantities, but at a slight advance on last fortnight's quotation, Tls 1.54 having been paid for Anchor Chop. There has not been much doing in other brands. Stocks 28,000 cases. Langat-The stock has been replenished by the arrival of the steamer *Tancharville* on the 3rd inst., bringing the equivalent of about 100,000 cases; this arrival has allowed of sales being made at quotations, but the business has not been large. Stocks in godowns are now estimated at 77,000 cases.

STRIKE AMONG THE B. I. OFFICERS.

The B. I. S. *Gosparo*, which was to have left for Madras via coast port at 11.30 this morning, says the *Hongkong Times*, of the 7th December, did not leave at the advertised time, the ship's officers, with the exception of the captain and those belonging to the engineer department, having struck. So far as we are able to learn, the officers below the rank of commander have a grievance against the Company, the said grievance being that promotions have been denied from the rank of chief officer to that of commander without any increase in pay, which practically means that the pay of the rank has been reduced by Re. 10 a month. The men are evidently of opinion that this is merely the thin end of the wedge, as they argue that the Company would hardly intend to leave the two ranks on the same rate of pay and are consequently contemplating a seduction in the pay of the other grades. There are at present six officers belonging to the B. I. line in port, viz. the *Coronado*, *Java*, *Gosparo*, *Nebudha*, *Patria* and *Chirpa*, all of which it is said, have joined in the movement, which also extends to Bombay and Madras, throughout the 100 vessels which form the fleet. In fact, it is a universal strike, which has been carefully planned and organized, to come off on this date. The *Rangoon*, which left at 6 a.m. this morning for Moulmein, will probably remain at that port. The officers of the *Gosparo* went ashore this afternoon and the vessel has been moored out in the stream awaiting orders.

Later-The strike is over, matters having been amicably settled. This morning the 8th instant, a meeting was held at which it was determined that they should stand out at all costs. There are however three chief officers who are keeping aloof from the strike. The *Gosparo*, not having its proper complement of officers, was prevented from sailing yesterday with the mails, and the *Java*, which has the *Straits' mail* also, was also unable to leave port. A communication was received from the head office, undertaking to place 10 more officers in command of vessels on chief officers' pay, but this offer did not satisfy the strikers. This afternoon between one and two o'clock a telegram was received from Calcutta according to the officers' demands, and the *Africa* and *Java* left port this evening.

THE SHELLER ST. MURDERS.

The man Lam Chow Wa, charged with having murdered one Li Fat and his mother Cheung Yuk in a house No. 74 Shelley Street on November 14th, was brought up at the Magistrate to-day. The prisoner, who has just been discharged from hospital after attempting to commit suicide by cutting his throat, is a young man with intelligent and not unprepossessing features, and the hospital bandage was still round his neck. He was, undefended, and Inspector Hanson conducted the prosecution.

Li Kit, a little Chinese girl, deposed that at 8 a.m. on a day two months ago, she was on the ground floor of her residence, when a woman named Ah Chun said she heard cries of "Save life" and bade witness go upstairs. When on the eighth stop to the first floor she saw the prisoner at the top of the stairs holding a sword with both hands out to her that she must not run away. She then returned to the ground floor. When she saw the sword there was blood on it. Prisoner lived in the house where she saw him; he lived by himself but she did not know what he was. When the police came witness went upstairs and saw the bodies of her uncle and her grandmother lying on the floor. Her uncle was in the passage and her grandmother in the sitting room. Her grandmother, who was a Christian, was a widow, 64 years of age, and her uncle was 32 years of age. He was a servant employed at the Spanish Procurator. He was a native of Chat Po village in the Kwangtung province. Witness also saw prisoner lying in the passage. She last saw her uncle a quarter of an hour before when he went upstairs. The sword produced was the one prisoner had in his hands. She had never seen it before until prisoner had it.

Lam Cheung, a girl who was in the company of last witness, deposed to having heard cries of "Save life" from No. 74 Shelley Street, next door to the place.

Li Yat Choy, a nephew of the prisoner, deposed that he was a school boy and lived in a house at the back of the Spanish Procurator. Between 7 and 8 a.m. on November 14th, he went upstairs to get some clothing. He saw two bodies in the passage and one in a room. Prisoner was one of the three and was lying partially on his back. He was quite motionless. Witness ran downstairs at once as did not notice what was the matter with prisoner. He saw no sword about the place. There was a little blood on the floor where the bodies were. Prisoner was a servant to the Spanish Procurator and was a married man. The deceased was a man and prisoner were *fetis* and as deceased was getting prisoner's job there was a coolness between them. The murdered woman was the mother of Li Fat.

P.C. 604 gave evidence as to having entered the premises after the alarm was raised. A European priest on Caine Road told him there was a row in Shelley Street. He saw a crowd outside a house there and he went up to the first floor and saw the bodies of deceased. The woman had wounds on the throat, head and hand. Prisoner was lying in the passage bleeding from a wound in the throat and the sword was in his feet. The deceased man was wearing a coat and the sword had been thrust on the head, throat and hand.

A brother of the deceased Li Fat gave evidence that from what he heard he went to his mother's house in Shelley Street and found her dead. He also recognised his younger brother who was dead in the passage.

Dr. J. C. Thomson deposed to the post mortem examinations he made on the bodies of deceased.

The case was re-juried till 10.30 a.m. tomorrow when Father Torres of the Spanish Dominican Procurator will give evidence as to the probable cause of the murder.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

CAPTAIN'S CUP. - The following are the last monthly returns for the Captain's cup:-

Mr. W. J. Sunders.....	96	15	81
Mr. E. M. Knox.....	102	16	84
Mr. J. Thurburn.....	97	11	86
Mr. C. Palmer.....	97	10	87
Capt. R. M. Rumsey, R.N.	96	8	88
Mr. A. J. McClure.....	106	16	90
Mr. E. A. Ram.....	99	9	90
Mr. H. L. Dalrymple.....	100	8	92
Com. Taylor, R.N.	104	11	93
Mr. C. A. Tonnes.....	101	8	93
Mr. J. Hastings.....	103	12	93
24 entries.			
POOL.			
Mr. V. A. C. Hawkins.....	91	8	83
Dr. Pend, R.N.	96	12	84
Mr. W. A. Duff.....	100	12	88
Mr. P. de C. Morris.....	101	13	88
Mr. C. W. May.....	93	4	89
Mr. A. J. McClure.....	106	16	90
Mr. C. Palmer.....	100	11	90
Com. Taylor, R.N.	101	11	90
Mr. H. L. Dalrymple.....	100	8	92
Mr. C. A. Tonnes.....	101	8	93
19 entries.			

The quarterly meeting for the MacEwan Cup, Egay, and Pool quarterly competitions will be held from the 7th to the 10th inst.

NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.

A disastrous fire broke out in Ningpo a few days ago, completely gutting three houses. The origin of the outbreak is given as the accidental bursting of a kerosene lamp.

At Shih-kang, Chekiang, an old woman was murdered by a ruffian who cut her throat and took away a pearl hat and a gold bracelet. It is believed that the murderer had a grudge against his victim.

The Vicerey of Canton has sent a wel-yuen to Kwantung to buy rice and fish which he intended to sell to the people at a low price owing to the recent rise in the price of these commodities. No one person is allowed to make purchases exceeding \$1 per day.

There is a war in Chinese papers that the commander of a British war-vessel asked the Commandant of the Woosung forts for the day to lend him the use of the fort for practice.

This request, as the story goes, was refused. All that we shall say is that it is downright "jol."

The Chungking authorities have renewed the proclamation prohibiting the exportation of copper cast.

It is alleged that when Chang Chi-tung ex-Viceroy of Nankin, was in office, he borrowed \$200,000 from a German syndicate and promised to repay it on the 40th year of Kwangtung (A.D. 1915) but owing to the present civils the Germans have sent a representative to the present Viceroy to demand immediate payment. The Viceroy replied that it was agreed that the money should be repaid at a certain time and he advised the German to see Chang Chi-tung about it. Consequently the representative of the syndicate went to Wuchang, where he was curiously received by the ex-Viceroy who told him that he would not consider the matter till the agreed time (17 years more) comes.

THE SYNAGOGUE CASE.

THE VERDICT DELIVERED.

The verdict in the Synagogue case has been delivered by the Hongkong correspondent of a Shanghai paper, and Sir John Carrington finds himself in doubt how to decide it, he may save himself the trouble by reading the correspondence in question, which puts the whole matter in a nutshell. We prefer not to reproduce the journalistic judgment, as it seems to us a trifles premature. Our Shanghai contemporary is unfortunate in having in Hongkong an amateur whose judgment is as weak as his journalism.

THE TYTAM TIGER ALIVE AGAIN.

When a Japanese paper reports that "a large tiger came up from the sea recently at Tosa," it smacks of the old and worn-out sea-serpent story, says the *Kobe Chronicle*. But it seems to be true that the people of a little fishing hamlet of Tosa have actually been visited by a tiger from the sea. A few days ago the dead bodies of six men were washed ashore, and this gave a clue as to how such as unexpected visitor as a tiger came to be among them. It has since been ascertained that fourteen men who were running a peripatetic tiger show were crossing from Aki to Tokushima when the boat capsized in a squall and founder'd. Presumably the tiger was not in a cage, or, if so, the cage must have been so insubstantial that it was incapable of resisting the fury of the animal when death by drowning was in view. The tiger is now reported to have swum ashore in safety, been caught and lodged in a cow shed. What a doolic creature it must be! It must be the Tytan tiger which created so much excitement in Hongkong a year or two back. No wonder it was pretty tame after such a long swim.

RESPONSIBILITY ON BILLS OF LADING.

SHIPOWNERS' "SAVING CLAUSES" OVERRULED.

It is a standing complaint against steamship owners that they cover their bills of lading and other documents with a mass of verbiage to the effect that they are not to be held responsible for anything under the sun. These "saving clauses" it is frequently claimed, cannot be held to have any legal weight and might as well be disclaimed. In the British Consular Court at Yokohama, on the 10th inst., before his Honorable Judge Wilkinson, M.M. Hassan, manager of the firm of H. E. Ellis, sued the Peninsula and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, by their agent Mr. Alfred Woolley, for yrs 126.25, alleged loss by shortage of cargo consisting of two packages of Ivory landed at Yokohama ex S.S. *Ancona*, on June 16th, from Bombay and 10 yen expenses of survey. Both parties conducted their own case. Mr. F. J. Norman was sworn to act as interpreter of Hindostani, the plaintiff's knowledge of the English language being limited.

Mr. Woolley, in the course of the case, said he objected to gunny bags for packing purposes.

His Honour: But this bill of lading is signed by you and you admit having received it. This being so I think you would have to show me a very strong case now, that the packing of ivory in gunny bags was improper as a general rule, and I think you would have a very hard case to show that. If you as a Company, are in the habit of carrying ivory in gunny bags without any objection at all, the impression would be left that it was not improper in this case.

Mr. Woolley said that on the contrary the Company did object. They could not prevent merchants shipping goods without wrappers, but they protected themselves by stamping on the bill of lading a clause stating that they would not be responsible for goods that were insufficiently packed.

His Honour said that this would not affect his mind in the slightest degree. If they said they would not take ivory in gunny bags it would be very well, but if the custom existed of carrying it in gunny bags it was open to the Company to say that these particular gunny bags were very bad and got scattered, though as he understood it they were strong enough to hold the goods together.

Mr. Woolley proceeded to argue that on the terms of the bill of lading the Company was entirely free from liability.

His Honour: I decide positively against you. You are liable for any result that may be found.

The defense to the case was that the goods were delivered in good order and condition. Capt. Eford, however, said that on arrival there were holes in the gunny bags large enough to permit some of the ivory to escape.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Prussia* will leave here for Europe on the 1st proximo.

The N. P. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Lombard* sailed from Portland for Japan and Hongkong on the 3d inst.

The steamers *Chasse* and *Argyle* left Singapore on the 6th instant and is due here on or about the 11th instant.

The Agents (*Messrs. D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.*) inform us that the Company's steamer *Lighthill*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port yesterday afternoon.

The Agents (*Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.*) inform us that the "Ben" line steamer *Senlark*, left Singapore for this port on the 1st, and may be expected here on or about the 6th inst.

Mr. Woolley said the obligation was upon the defendants to show the contents of the packages were the same when the packages were delivered, as when they were received by the Company, or, if the loss was through insufficiency of packing. He was inclined to believe from the evidence that some of the ivory had been lost from the packages.

Mr. Woolley said that in this case it would be necessary to adjourn until the information could be obtained from Bombay.

The case was thereupon adjourned until Wednesday, March 15 next.

COREA.

("N. C. D. NEWS" CORRESPONDENT.)

THE PROCESS OF RUSSIANISATION.

9th December.

M. Alexeiff has taken charge of the Korean finances and one of his first acts was the appointment of six Russian-speaking Coreans from Vladivostock. All areas of salary have been paid to Corean officials and the money which remained in the Treasury has all been used by the King, so that it is now empty. The Government is consequently contemplating a new loan which will doubtless be obtained from Russia. As yet Mr. Alexeiff has not interfered with the Customs, which is doubtless due to the fact that there is as yet no one to take the place of those whom it is intended to dismiss. It is, however, only a question of time.

It is now known that the appointment of M. Alexeiff to the control of the Korean finances was arranged soon after the King had fled for refuge to the Russian Legation. It therefore seems that M. de Speyer is merely carrying out the policy inaugurated by his predecessor in accordance with instructions from St. Petersburg.

THE QUEEN

has at last been buried, but it was with a Russian guard of honour. Everything now is gradually becoming Russian and it is now only a question of months when Corea will be a dependency of Russia. Japan will doubtless make a struggle, but it will be

Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
TAMBA MARU	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 7th January, at 4 P.M.
HAKATA MARU	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINOPOL (Transhipping Cargo for JAVA, PORTS), PEKING, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	FRIDAY, 7th January, at 4 P.M.
HIROSHIMA MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 20th January, at 4 P.M.
YAMAGUCHI MARU	SINGAPORE, COLOMBO and BOMBAY	TUESDAY, 25th January, at Noon.
KAGOSHIMA MARU	SEATTLE, WASH., VIA KOBE and YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 27th January, at 4 P.M.
YAMASHIRO MARU	THURSDAY, ISLAND TOWNS, VILL KEPPEL BAY, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 28th January, at 4 P.M.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailing, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7 Praya Central.

A. S. MIHARA,

Manager.

Hongkong, 5th January 1898.

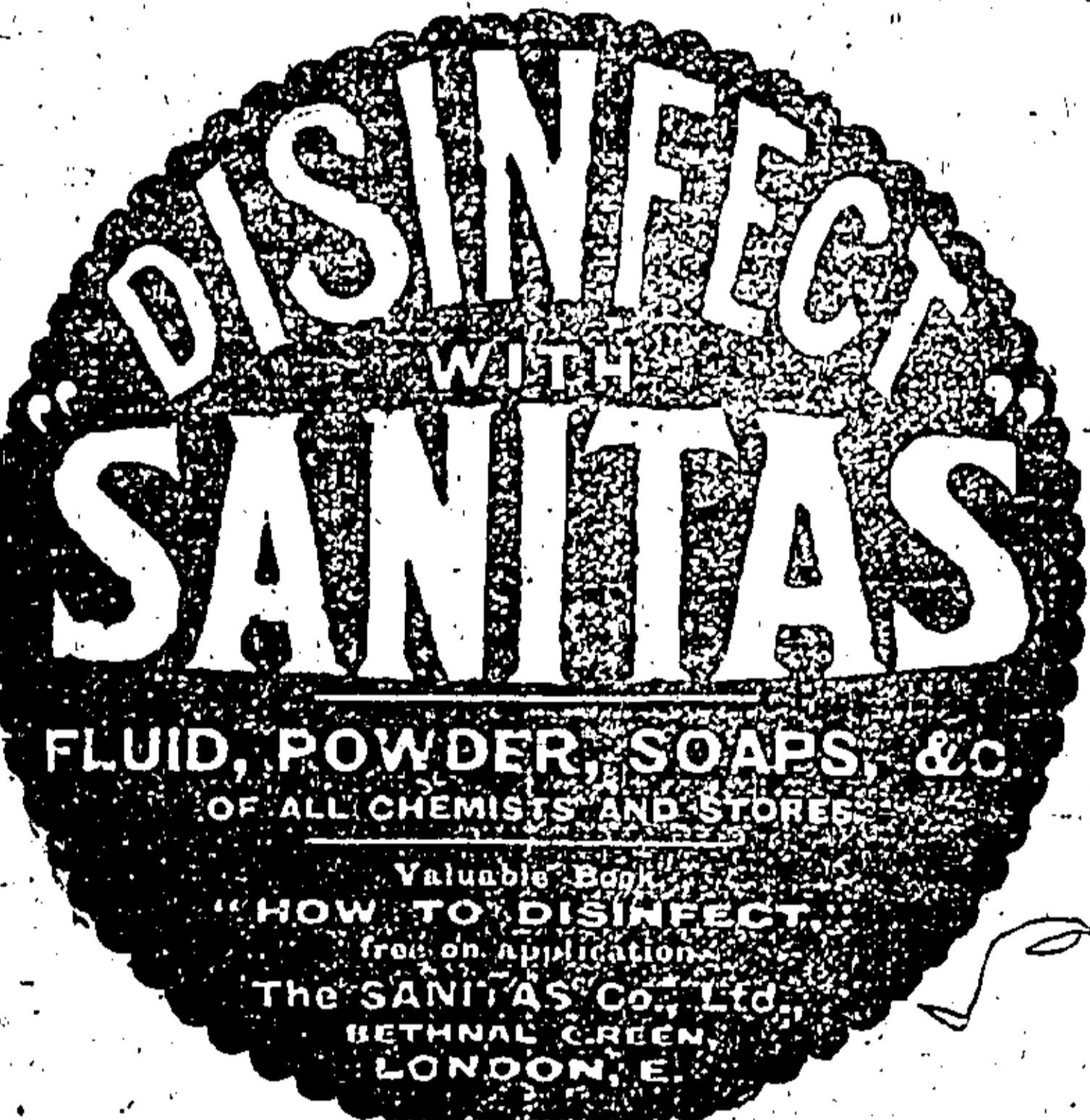
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Hongkong, 11th September, 1898.

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1897.

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"HAITAN,"

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 6th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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General Managers,
Hongkong, 5th January, 1898.

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FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

THE Steamship

"KIOTO MARU"

Sobashima, Commander, will be despatched for above Ports TO-MORROW, the 6th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILLI & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 5th January, 1898.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIAN,"

Captain Dodd, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 7th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Agents,
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SHANTUNG,"

Captain Frampton, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 7th instant at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents,
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHELYORA,"

Captain Cass, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 8th instant, at 3 P.M.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898.

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FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"YARROWDALE,"

Captain G. Geddes, will be despatched as above on or about the 5th January, 1898.

To be followed by the

S.S. "HANSEAT" on or about 1st Jan., 1898.

S.S. "LYDERHORN" on or about 15th Feb., 1898.

S.S. "ORWELL" on or about 18th Feb., 1898.

For Freight, apply to
SHewan, TOME & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 20th December, 1897.

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MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"PORT ADELAIDE,"

to sail about the 15th January, 1898.

S.S. "ARGYLL," about 5th Feb., 1898.

S.S. "GHAZEK," about 10th Feb., 1898.

S.S. "LENNOX," about 10th March, 1898.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARILLI & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 27th December, 1897.

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"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"BENLEDI,"

Captain Farquhar, will be despatched as above on or about the 17th January.

Application for Freight should be made in advance as there is only a limited space available.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 31st December, 1897.

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"ORESTES,"

Captain Bay, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents,
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

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THE Steamship

"THAMES,"

Captain E. R. Dowell, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 13th January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

All Cargo for FRANCE and LONDON will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London.

Parcels must be received at this Office till 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Slippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1897.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN and HAMBURG PORTS IN THE LEVANTE.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Preston | Tuesday ... | 1st Feb.

Sachsen | Tuesday ... | 1st March.

ON TUESDAY, the 1st day of February, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship PREUSSEN, Captain P. Wielke, with MAIL, PASSAGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.